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DON'T TALK IT TO DEATH

Disclosures regarding alleged extravagance in the development of the great Muscle Shoals industrial and power project should not influence congress to refuse to appropriate more money with which to complete the project. The work should not be delayed indefinitely nor abandoned. Should such action occur the millions already spent would be a dead loss, and the development brought this far toward completion doomed to needless delay with resultant depreciation, or to abandonment.

While it might be charged that Memphis, owing to possible benefits that might be derived, can not discuss the project in an unbiased frame of mind, yet the city should not allow such attacks upon the monster project to pass without raising its voice in protest. The benefits to be derived to this section and to the entire country from the completion of the Muscle Shoals power plant and dam are too great to be resigned without a light,

The United States government spent a tremendous sum on the proposition during the war. At that time the government regarded the project as one of prime importance and vital need. With the war won and peace assured the development ceased to be regarded as of instant importance. The pressing need of the nitrate plant and the power development had passed.

Immediately the Republicans at Washington seized upon the proposition for ammunition with which to bombard the Democrats. At the time the development was undertaken money was the smallest consideration. Time was everything. Had the war continued longer Muscle Shoals would have been written large in the efforts of the United States toward victory over the Hun. Had the war continued and during its existence the project completed, Muscle Shoals would have had an immense part in the successful completion of the fighting. In that event the cost is money would have been regarded as of next to nothing.

But now all is different. Muscle Shoals needs other millions to stand forth a complete undertaking. The mere mention of the needs of Muscle Shoals arouses ire of Northern law-makers at Washington. Muscle Shoals is in the South, and therefore, the Northern politicians argue, must be fought by every means at

But to withdraw financial support to so great a development be after it has progressed this far seems worse than foolish. A united nation must derive benefit from any project that will better any one section. The successful completion of the Muscle Shoals idea will be of vast benefit to this entire section. Benefits to the South are bound to bring benefits to the rest of the nation. Cheaper power means advancement to any section.

To refuse to complete the development of Muscle Shoals, regardless of the alleged extravagance in the work during the war. would be to scrap the entire amount expended thus far. The adwould be tremendous. In time of future warfare the nation would ing Register (Dem.) and the Wheel vantages derived from the completed development everyone agrees

would be tremendous. In time of future warfare the nation would be prepared and in peace times the nitrates would go far toward aiding the farmers of south, north, cast and west. The power would furnish the government with a tremendous weapon if future wars came and in peace time make this section of the South a large industrial center.

The Muscle Shoals project should not be killed to make a Republican holiday. It should not be destroyed in the fires of sectionalism. It should not be talked to death. If there has been dishonesty, the guilty ones should be punished—but in the flood of words and the political maneuverings attendant, the great national value of the plant should not be lost sight of and the millions already invested should not be cast into the abyss of forgotten. already invested should not be cast into the abyss of forgotten

HOLLAND'S DEFIANCE

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tried for "a supreme offense against international morality and the sanctity of treaties." Holland has made a dead letter of article 227 of the peace treaty.

In her refusal Holland is relying upon her ancient traditions, which has always insured sanctuary to political refugees. She is respectful but quite positive in her determination not to after her all the world regards as an atrosional policy. national policy.

Section 227 of the treaty provides:

The allied and associated powers publicly arraign William II of Hohenzollern, formerly German emperor, for a supreme offense against international morality and the sanctity of treaties.

A special tribunal will be constituted to try the accused, thereby assuring him the guarantee essential to the right of defense. It will be composed of five judges, one appointed by each of the following powers: namely, the United States of America, Great Britain, France

In its decision the tribunal will be guided by the highest motives of International policy, with a view to vindicating the solemn obligations of international undertakings and the validity of international morality. It will be its duty to fix the punishment which it considers should be

The allied and associated powers will address a request to the government of the Netherlands for the surrender to them of the ex-emperor In order that he may be put on trial

is not concerned with the origin of the war, that is it is not seeking "to cover with its sovereign right and moral authority violations of the essential principles of solidarity of nations," and that "it cannot recognize an international duty to associate itself with this act of high international policy of the powers"

An interesting feature of Holland's refusal is the rehance on the laws of the kingdom and national traditions, "which have made this country always a ground of refuge for the vanquished in international conflicts," and finally, "the Netherlands people could not betray the faith of those who have confided themselves to

their free institutions. There are three things the allied powers can do in the premises: First, permit the article demanding the surrender of the former kaiser to become a dead letter, second, resort to force to capture him; and, third, bring the pressure of the league of na-

tions to bear to compel his surrender. It is not likely that force will be employed, and the procedure league, although she has been invited to come in. In order to come in it would be necessary to subscribe to the demand of the provisions of the treaty. Obviously Holland would surrender its "national traditions" by becoming a signatory to the league.

Senator Newberry has employed Martin Littleton to defend in his trial in Michigan. When a defendant gets a Tennim in his trial in Michigan. When a defendant gets a Tennim in his trial in Michigan. When a defendant gets a Tennim in his trial in Michigan. When a defendant gets a Tennim in his trial in Michigan. When a defendant gets a Tennim in his trial in Michigan. When a defendant gets a Tennim in his trial in Michigan. When a defendant gets a Tennim in his trial in Michigan we may know he is guilty if convicted, but we never know if he is guilty or innocent if acquitted.

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Wonder What the Girl on the Magazine Cover Thinks About—By Briggs

DON'T YOU THINK ME PERPECTLY STUNNING? I'M SIMPLY CRAZY ABOUT MYSELF - SUCH LOVELY HAIR AND DREAMY



JUST KNOW THAT

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MR. HARE WILL HAVE A

HUGE HAT WITH WILD

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IT BE JUST TOO CUTE!

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Daily Editorial Digest

THIS column is designed to reproduce without bias the latest comment by the leading newspapers and periodicals on the questions of the day.

Give Up Wilhelm?

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"If the allies are determined to get the Hohenzoilern, they will have him," declares the Buffalo Evening News (Rep.): "a boycett and blockade would he sufficient to persuade Holland to hand him over for trial." The Pittsburgh Press (Ind.) calls the Dutch regard to them would secretly be delighted with the over for trial. The Pittsburgh Press (Ind.) calls the Dutch regard to them would secretly be delighted with a refusal."

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The Detroit Free Press (Ind.) also speaks of Lloyd George's "definite and filery promises made in the carry days of the armistice, when popular sentiment was strongly in favor of dragging the content of the mould secretly be delighted to them would secretly be delighted with a refusal."

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heels if need be," and thinks that "a
war with Holland would be worse for
Lloyd George than a mere fractured
political promise. In the view of the
Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette (Dem.)
"the trying of Wilhelm only makes a
ridiculous failure a martyr," and this
paper declares that "the English press
and people are opposed to the plan,
the French shrug their shoulders, the
Belgians say the trying of the kaiser
will not benefit them, only Lloyd George
appears to be dead set on the trial,"
But what, then, shall be done? "Let's
punish the kaiser," suggests the Arkan-

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There is an evil sign that foreshadrenace the nation.
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Education is subject to the most stimulating sway of the stars, making for more general training for all vocations. The star that is believed to encourage the spirit of brotherhood will give great impetus to community organizations and co-operative enterprises. Pespite agitation concerning methods of reducing the high cost of living the peak of advancing prices will not be reached until after the spring, the seems declare, and they forecast serious trou-

Q—What is the amount of our war loan to Russia?—N. H. G.

A—The United States loaned Russian 518.729.750, which is part of the 10 billion dollars advanced as loans to nations of Europe. Great Britain is our largest debtor, with France second.

Q—How closely related are the king of England and the former kalser of Gormany?—A. K. L.

A—They are first cousins, being grandsons of the late Queen Victoria of England. The former kalser is also a brother-in-law of the former King constantine of Greece.

Q—Is it proper to wear military medials on evening clothes?—T. C.

A—A paragraph from an article on

BUSINESS IS GOOD

HOROSCOPE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1920. Conflicting planets rule this day, according to a strotogy. While Uranus, the sun, Venus and Jupiter are all in benefite aspect. Saturn and Mercury are strongly adverse.

Under this planetary government the since the sway gives an optimistic, buoyant and even care-free impulse, but wisdom lies In extreme caution.

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HOTEL CHANGES HANDS. LEXINGTON, Tenn., Feb. 4 (Spl.)— G. H. Daws, late proprietor of the Scott hotel, which he sold to W. D. Wood, has purchased the Hearn hotel property

Man Known As Chief of Yeggs Falls With Eleven Bullets In Body As Closed Auto Speeds Away—Killing Occurs In Front of Victim's Home. CHICAGO. Feb. 4.—The slayer of Maurice (Mossy) Enright, Chicago's guiffnen's war." Maurice (Mossy) Enright, Chicago's guiffnen's war." "Mossy" was 35 years old. His first guiffnen's war made in 1911, when he walked into a barrom and shot Vincent altiman, said to have been one of his walked-off double-barreled shotgun into his body as he sat at the wheel of his automobile in front of his home last automobile his first part automobile in front of his home last automobile in front of his

ASSASSINATED; SLAYERS FREE

automobile in front of his home last night.

Enright's wife and two sons, and two neighbor boys witnessed the killing. A closed black automobile slowed down eight feet from the side of the gunman's car, the curtains parted, two shots were fired and the black car raced away. Within 30 minutes scores of gunmen, labor feudists and known enemies and friends of the gunman had been arrested by the police. A number of them were held for investigation.

Enright for nine years was a leader in Chicago labor feuds and until eight months ago was business agent of the plumbers' union. A meeting of the plumbers' union tried to oust him. There was a fracas in which 40 revolvers were in action, and four men were wounded. Enright resigned them.

The police declared today it was their opinion Enright's murder was "f's outcome of a labor confroversy nn't that

Efforts to Keep Fortune Intact Attacked by Vorwaerts in

Competition between members of the three local national guard companies in the rifle range matches next week a musually keen. These matches origis unusually keen. These matches originally were scheduled for this week but the arrival in Memphis of Maj. K. J. Schumann. U. S. A., state inspector, necessitated a postponoment. Maj. Schumann Tuesday night inspected the equipment of Company M., Capt. L. J. Calhoun commanding, and Wednesday will inspect Company L. and the head-quarters company. Maj. Schumann is due to return to Nashville Thursday.

TELL PHYSICIANS OF ALCOHOL SALE RULES

Rules governing the sael of alcoho and drugs were outlined to Memphis physicians Tuesday night by Edward V. Sheeley, druggist, at the regular meeting of the Memphis and Shelby County Medical society. Iron-bound

Open discussions on several profes-sional subjects followed Mr. Sheeley's talk. It was decided not to hold any more meetings of the society until the more meetings of the society until the influenza ban is lifted. The flu was not discussed.

EXPLOSION VICTIMS AT TREZEVANT BETTER

TREZEVANT, Tenn., Feb. 4. (Spl.)— J. H. kee, his son Homer, and daugh-ter, allie, who were injured several days ago at their home in this city when a gas tank exploded, are recover-

"LOBBY BUGS" HAVE ROUND IN CONGRESS

Depredations Against Stationery and Book Supplies of Solons Made Subject of Debate and Oral Protests While House Lays Aside Deficiency Appropriation Bill.

Sheriff Warren And Wife, Held In Jail Mystery, Make Bond

NASHVILLE. Tenn., Feb. 4. (Spl.)—
Sheriff A. P. Warren of Warren county and his wife who were airested yesterday by federal agents in connection with the death of Fred Murphy, in the McMinnville Iail, Jan. 24, made bond of \$25,000 each before Federal Commissioner J. B. Barnes, at Cookeville, Tenn., Tuesday afternoon.

John Rufus Rains and Alex Van Hooser, who were also arrested on the same charge, were unable to make bond and were committed to jail.

Trial was set for Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the federal court at Cookeville. At the same time the case of Floyd Cummings, a special deputy under Sheriff Warren, who was arrested Friday, will be heard. The five prisoners are charged with violation of those sections of the special penal code which forbid conspiracy and intimidation of a witness in a federal case.

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agreement the roads will make the profits guaranteed by the government until next September.

The demand for advances would have to be fought out before the interstate commerce commission and as they would no doubt find much opposition

THREE ALLUVIAL LAND **BOOKLETS ARE PLANNED**

from shippers' organizations, this would take some time.

Three booklets amplifying the data on he agricultural resources and possi-ilities of the alluvial lands of the lower bilities of the alluvial lands of the lower Mississippi valley, contained in the "Call of the Alluvial Empire," will be issued during 1920 by the Southern Alluvial Land association, acording to information given out by F. D. Beneke, secretary of the association. These booklets will treat separately of the alluvial lands of Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana and will go to press late in October. Decision to issue them was made at a meeting of the officers of the association held at the Hotel Gayoso Tuesday afternoon.

The association will send its photographer through the alluvial region three times this year to secure the pictures

rapher through the alluvial region three times this year to secure the pictures with which to illustrate the articles these booklets will contain. The photographer will make his first trip through the delta in June to secure photographs of the small grains, wheat and oats in harvest, the second trip in midsummer to photograph alfalfa cuttings and growing cotton and corn, while the third trip will be made in the early autumn to photograph the har-

The association has just received a visit from John C. Shaver, land representative of the Chicago Daily Drovers' Journal, who asked the association to furnish 36 to 40 articles on the alluvial empire to this publication during the next three months Mr. Shaver declared that the constituents of his publication are demanding information about the Southern alluvial territory for the eyes of the Northern and Western cattlemen are turning southward to the eyes of the Northern and Western cattlemen are turning southward to spy out the lands which they are so greatly in need of. The cattlemen of the West, he said, are rapidly being deprived of their grazing land by homesteaders and they are also tired of the droughts which frequently bring disaster to their herds. They must have more lands and better lands and must come south to find them, Mr. Shaver said.

REFUSE \$1,000 CASH